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Dear All,

Thank you again for taking the time to submit important municipal projects to the Administration for consideration under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. We are reviewing the final language closely to find out what exactly what types of projects are eligible for federal funding and working with our partners in the federal government to be sure the we are prepared for the funding process.

As you know, we received thousands of submissions. We are currently reviewing the submissions and will continue to do so as we interpret the ARRA language and federal agency requirements. Lists of all projects submitted can be found on [www.mass.gov/recovery](http://www.mass.gov/recovery). Some of you may have noticed that the website contains two lists: "State-Reviewed, Shovel-Ready" and "Unreviewed." ***It is imperative to know that these lists are a work in progress, and that no decisions have been made relative to funding or priorities.*** The lists are simply that—the projects that have been determined "shovel-ready" and the ones that have not yet been reviewed but will be. ***Though most municipal projects are on the "unreviewed" list as of the date of this email, I assure you that we are working through all of the project submissions, regardless of whether they are state or municipal.***

The Administration is committed to working with you and all of our municipal partners to ensure the goals of creating jobs and spurring economic development in the Commonwealth are reached.

Thank you again for your participation in this effort.

Yours truly,

Timothy P. Murray  
Lieutenant Governor

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